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### Abstract of the Disclosure

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In general, the present invention discloses a method and an apparatus that provide a dispatch patch service in a CDMA communication system (100). A communication unit (103) involved in a dispatch call requests a base site (101) to patch a patch target (105), either a dispatch group or an individual, into the present call. By providing the CDMA long-code mask being used for the present call to the patch target and the dispatch identifier of the patch target to at least the communication unit, a new CDMA long-code mask can be generated and used for the dispatch call going forward.